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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) technology for offering limited mobility will benefit the subscribers but there is total lack of transparency in the way this has been allowed to the basic operators; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): The Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) technology for offering limited mobility within the local areas typically Tehsils, will benefit the subscribers. This facility has been extended, based on recommendations of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), which has followed a transparent consultation process of inviting comments from all stakeholders, conducting open house discussions as well as ensuring complete level playing field in a rational, transparent and non-discriminatory manner. Further, the same has been reviewed and endorsed by the Group on Telecom & Information Technology Convergence (GOT-IT) also.